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The November meeting is usually devoted to the presentation of our Outstanding Teacher award. The Executive Board has decided to postpone this meeting until January as the November meeting would come so close to our December 2 tour. We will not meet in November.

The Third Annual Candlelight Tour will take place on the first Sunday in December with the buildings open from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. We will feature the Riddick House (Riddick's Folly) where we will have musicians performing throughout the afternoon. Guests may enjoy the music and refreshments that have always been a part of our tour while viewing various exhibits in the spacious old building. The exhibits will include antique toys, clothing from another era, Indian relics, Civil War artifacts, and an exhibit of winter scenes from the Virginia Museum. The house will be decorated for Christmas and lit by candlelight.

Also open for our guests will be the Brewster House (c. 1875) owned by Mrs. Eleanor Bradford and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gillette. Formerly a private home, the Brewster House is about to take on new life as an antique shop. The third building, which, like the other two, is on North Main Street, is the old American Legion Building. In the last year this former office-turned-residence has been spruced up for use by Suffolk's Senior Citizens. The price of the ticket is \$2.00. Parking is available. Proceeds from the tour will be used for restoration of Riddick's Folly.

Every year during the tour, our publications are offered for sale. These great Christmas gifts will be available at Riddick's Folly with a new publication joining the ranks just in time for gift giving. Storm over Suffolk by O. Kermit Hobbs tells of civilian life as well as military maneuvers in and around Suffolk during the War Between the States. A must for those interested in the Civil War or Suffolk history in general. The price is \$2.50.

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Mail Bag

Register of Ancestors of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the Commonwealth of Virginia, \$15.00 paperback, \$20.00 hardback. Make checks payable to The Colonial Dames in Virginia, and send requests to:

Mrs. Charles A. Gregory, Jr., Registrar
106 Tempford Lane
Richmond, Virginia 23226

Abstracts of Vital Records from Raleigh, N.C., Newspapers 1799-1819, by Lois Smathers Neal, \$35.00 per copy, \$1.00 for shipping.

The Reprint Company, Publishers
Post Office Box 5401
Spartanburg, South Carolina 29304

You are invited to join the Archeological Society of Virginia. Membership entitles holder to attend meetings, receive publications, assist in excavations. \$3.00 for members under 18; \$4.00 for students 18-30; \$8.00 for adults.

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Information Exchange

Have all I can find on 1700-1800 Nansemond County families Hargroves, Savage, Denby, Lipton, Lee, Langley, etc. Would like to correspond with others interested in these families. Mrs. William S. Slusher, 206 Rivermont Drive, McMinnville, Tn. 37110.

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Have you made your donation to Riddick's Folly? Restoration has begun with work on the roof. The next project will be the reworking of every window in the house. (You'd need reworking, too, if you'd been around since the 1830's!) Money is needed! Send your donation, from \$1.00 up, to Riddick's Folly, Inc., P. O. Box 1722, Suffolk, Virginia 23434.

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Please call Betty Ellison, 539-8140, if you have toys fifty years old or older that we may use for the tour.